



# The Cornerstone Academy

The best in everyone™

Part of United Learning

## Chair of the Local Governing Body (LGB)

**Location:** Poole, Dorset

**Salary:** Voluntary

**Closing Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> April 2023

### The Role

**Are you looking for a challenging opportunity, and are keen to give something back?** United Learning Trust are seeking to appoint a Local Governing Body (LGB) Chair for The Cornerstone Academy to lead the LGB and continue to support and challenge the Principal and senior leaders to bring out 'The Best in Everyone' through an education that develops rich knowledge and character.

At The Cornerstone Academy the ethos of **ambition, determination, confidence, creativity, enthusiasm** and **respect** is the golden thread running through our school. These values underpin everything we do and allow us to nurture our students into responsible, articulate, and confident young adults who are fully prepared for the next stage of their lives.

The LGB chair is responsible for ensuring that the LGB functions effectively and will provide clear leadership and direction to the LGB, keeping it focused on its core functions. This is a vital role, setting the highest professional expectations for the highest standards of governance.

There are opportunities for training and networking across the Trust and there is an expectation to attend the termly Chairs' Forum and the Trust's annual leadership conference, and to support the Principal and senior leaders with termly performance meetings. The LGB meets approximately six times throughout the academic year and meetings take place in the early evening. All governors are expected and encouraged to visit Cornerstone for monitoring meetings and events.

### About Us

As a school, we are determined for our students to succeed, and we will do whatever it takes to help them achieve their dreams. Through our broad and varied curriculum as well as our wide-ranging enrichment programme, we seek to give our students every opportunity to hone important skills, gain interesting knowledge and enjoy amazing experiences.

And we do all this in our brand new, state-of-the art building. Completed in 2021, our building offers a fantastic environment for our students and has created many opportunities to bring learning alive for them. Our spectacular building reflects how much we invest in our students and our commitment to bringing out the best in every single one of them.

But we know our students can only achieve their best if they feel safe, supported and valued. This is why we focus so heavily on student wellbeing. From their very first day at The Cornerstone Academy, our teachers take the time to get to know each student to find out their strengths and interests and identify how, as a school, we can best support them.

## **United Learning**

Cornerstone joined the United Learning Group in 2013. United Learning Trust is a large, and growing, group of schools aiming to offer life changing education to children and young people across England.

Our schools work as a team, achieving more by sharing than any single school could. Our expert Subject Advisors, our Group-wide intranet, our own curriculum and our online learning portal all help us share knowledge and resource, helping to simplify work processes and manage workloads for an improved work-life balance.

We welcome expressions of interest - for further information and an application pack please contact:

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